U. S. SOLDIERS FOUGHT AGAINST BIG ODDS



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CITY'S TOTAL VOTE IS PUT AT 675,000; 600 WARRANTS CHARGE ELECTION FRAUDS

CUT OFF BY MASSED ATTACK, PERSHING MEN USED KNIVES. **CLUBS AND HANDS IN BATTLE**

First Details of Trench Clash Tell How Americans Were Hopelessly Outnumbered-Burial of Dead Begun and Troops Await Revenge.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY AT THE FRONT, Nov. 6 (United Press) .- They were making ready to-day to bury in the hallowed soil of France the first American soldiers to fight and die to make the world safe for democracy.

Three of them died, five others sustained wounds, and twelve are somewhere behind the German lines in this first encounter-and to-day old, trim of figure and active. It was every man making ready for the battle line awarded to them the supreme not Florence, however, who made the the canal from Comines to Ypres. It commendation that in their fight they sustained the best traditions of the

Tablet of Bronze

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and wounded with them, together

A young reserve Lieutenant with

the detachment attacked was puzzled

immediately after he brought his

men into the trench by the audden ac-

celeration of artillery fire. He decid-

ed to consuit his superior officers and

back. He struck the German bar-

"The shelling began darn sud-

with their American prisoners.

U.S. Dead in Battle

were outnumbered, this little detachment of Americans. The fact that they fought against overwhelm ing odds and were irretrievably cur

In the narrow trenches, where there was no room for rifle shots, the Americans fought with their clubbed bayonets, their trench knives, their intrenching spadeseven their hands. Flares and the sudden glare of exploding shells showed occasional rapid pictures of struggling groups one or two American soldiers surrounded by a solid mass of Germans, a whirling maelstrom of arms and hands and kicking fast, flashing bayonets, shouts, mufled yells and the sounds of pain wrung from the wounded.

This was the story as survivors told it. The Americans did not have a chance against overpoweringly superior masses of the enemy.

The small American detachment was in a front line trench. The usual recovered and a second time tried to desultory artillery fire suddenly rolled to an intense runible. The en- down by exploding shells, and for the Robert W. Pewther, superintendent emy put down a heavy barrage of third time he dauntlessly went on. shells completely round the single Then he was completely "knocked ber of the Home Guard. unit. Then a big party of Germans- out" by a narrow shave from a high American wounded estimate them at explosive shell. After the German who struggled. Near the switchwas one of the countless trench rable the Lieutenant was found unconthat occur nightly along the front, scious. He was revived later and but this time with the difference that told his story. To-day he was in the the Germans played safe by isolating base hospital recovering from shell the bit of trench they attacked by a shock. powerful artillery barrage.

tered this particular bit of trench, whot me-bang!" the superior attacking forces. Then the Germans scurred back to their own lines, dragging their own deal

ELEVATOR GIRLS BEATEN BY MAN IN HOUSE ON DRIVE

Home Guardsman Comes Rescue and Assailant Goes to Hospital.

Two young and pretty elevator girls employed in the apartment house at No. 720 Riverside Drive were attacked

Neither was it Miss Ruth Savage, started the proceedings that were finished later by a Home Guardsman. The man with the battered head said he was Bernard Silver, twenty-

Street, a salesman. Ginn when she was telling her story

"He walked in." said Miss McGinn. and told me to take him to the fourth | hundred yards beyond the village of floor. I told him to go to the tele- Passchendaele, says a telegram from Large Crowd Meets Train at Princephone switchboard and have himself Reuter's correspondent at the British announced. All callers have to do that. It's a rule of the house. But this man said he guessed he didn't have to be announced, and I told him I guessed be guessed wrong.

"He tried to brush past me and I barred him. Then he hit me in the started carefully weaving his way face so hard he cut my lip. I called to Ruth and she came and tried to rage. It knocked him flat, but he pull him off, but he hit her too." Miss Savage ran out then to call a

press along. Again he was flung policeman. At the corner she met of the building, who is also a mem-

210 in all—suddenly swarmed over 1: raiders had returned to their lines hoard was l'ewther's night stick. He Presumably Haig has driven for got hold of it and was beating Silver ward to take the last remaining by into submission when two patrolmen, of the Passchendaele Ridge held Lenakan and Lilly, same and relieved the Germans. "Local attacks." him of the presoner

The German raiding party was dealy," said one of the wounded it came Dr. Sweeney of the St. Law- of Passchendaele. Beyond the city composed of picked and veteran Americans to-day. "A few minutes rence Hospital dust as Silver was there is only about a mile and a half a shock troops"-specialists in attack. later I turned around and saw a big being lifted into the ambulance he of the Ridge, extending to Westroops. They came over in a powerful rush. German standing in the trench be- turned and demanded the arrest of beke, yet held by the enemy. Ad-The American troops had just en- side me: The next thing I knew he Powther on a charge of felonious as- the remainder of the high ground. sault So Powther was arrested, including about seven miles of the They fought back like wildcars until. The whole American army in Silver a a prisoner at the hospital Zonnebeke and Passebendani

Gov. Metall Has Sig Lead In One Town's Flaures.

BUSTON Nov. 5 7 to first State on from the Office:

OTTAWA, Our Nov e The follow: Was rather vigorous in some men ng Ame. our rames appear in to-day's count Washington

BRITISH MAKE EIGHTH DRIVE IN THE REGION ABOUT YPRES: NOW BEYOND PASSCHENDAELE

IN WEEK'S BATTLES

GRANTED BY RUSSIA

These 241 Officers and 4,976

Men Were Killed or Died

of Wounds.

Republican Form of Government

but Russia Will Control

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ELECTION CROWDS

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FINNISH AUTONOMY

LONDON, Nov. 6 .- British casualties

Last Bit of Passchendaele BRITISH LOSE 21.891 Ridge Is Apparently Within Grasp of Haig's Army.

241: men. 4,276. "Wounded or

which lasted all day," says the War yesterday evening between the northern portion of the Yser lowland and night and increased to drumfire this morning from Houthelst Wood to

LONDON, Nov. 6 .- Canadian forces in their offensive against the Germans this morning northeast of Ypres, on the Belgian front, have established 'themselves at a point Headquarters in France

Field Marshal Haig officially reported his new drive. Making "satisfactory progress," he said.

Headquarters advices received at Wilson when he arrived from Washingthis is despatched report the fighting ton by special train to vote in the State to be unusually bitter, the Germans Legislative election. A large crowd met of the Sugana Valley, on a width of vigorously contesting every inch of the train and obsered the President and more than 150 kilometres (ninety the ridge. Mescheele spur was car- Mrs. Wilson, following them to the three miles), the Italians have had to ried by a storming attack, its de- voting booth is a fire engine house, to give up zones of defense which they fenses beaten down by the Maple Lenf which the President walked from the have consolidated for years past, and are in retreat. Further operations of troops after violent comba!

The British Commander in Chief quickly, while Mrs. Wilson and Rear merely announced his latest drive Admiral Graycon walked through the was "in the neighborhood of Pass- lown. Many flags floated, and cheer, chendacie." It was his eighth smash of Princeton students were given offer Pewther threw himself upon Silver, forward since Sept. 20-and in this Several photographers took metures or

ported a week ago, carried the fire An ambulance was called and with tab to the very outskirts of the city Ridges, has been swept into Butto

FIRST BAY STATE RETURNS. possession.

Artitlery Bout at Verdan. PARIS. Nov. 6 - Following D. 1 day's report on the Freday W.

"We carried not several adeptive and Plansfield, attacks against the Germon Own their of St. Quentin

posts west or clamified our report AMERICAN KILLED AT FRONT. (Verdan front) the artiflery name "Op the man hank of the Mi-

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ITALIANS RETREAT ALL ALONG LINE, **BERLIN CLAIMS**

Rome Admits Evacuation of Part of the Mountainous Area Under Teuton Pressure.

Attack on Venice, Great Art Centre, Is Planned by Germans

AMSTERDAM. Nov. 6 .- Com senting on the Austro-German semi-official Berlin News Agency prepares the public for an attack on the famous art

It contends that Venice has developed into an important centre of war industries.

fensive positions of the enemy on the but that there was a lot of scratching celebration widening of the bridgehead thus The strong Socialist districts ex-

whole river line to the Adriatic coast. "Up the river to the Fella Valley Italian brigades still held out yesterday. The pressure of our advanchas also compelled the Italians to give up their mountain front. From the Fella Valley to the Colbricon, north are in retreat. Further operations of the Allied armies have been begun." ROME, Nov. 6.-Italian troops began evacuating part of the mountain-

River line to-day. "Along the Tagliamento," the War After remaining in Princeton less Office stated, "the enemy pushed han half an hour, the President beauded toward the middle and lower course. the train for the return to Washington. In order to establish our line we evacuated portions of the mountainous

area. The German Austrian thrust at the "lower course" of the Tagliamento is new movement, reported for the ent prepared his Thunkestone now that Gen, you Mackensen is attempting a simultaneous flanking movement from the south as well as the north.

Carl Taylor arrived today to ansume charge of American Red Cross of to Italy. He found the American Embassy beneged by Americans from the buttle area.

German firers continued to-day dropping proclamation, behind the reating lines proceeding that the invalling army had no desire to destroy

THIEF KILLS CRYING BABY.

Daughter of North Curolina Official Found Choked to Death.

BALLEGIE No. 15. Nov. 16. Lossy Plumpings, four months that discussion of months. was found choked to death by her hed to-day, the victim of a deciglar halor yried out while the intrody was an the room a d. Carrier it would appear the boundaries of the content of the content of

15,000 WATCH AT POLLS AS BALLOTING NEARS END; BIG VOTE IN ALL BOROUGHS

Women Create Disorder on East Side and Three Are Arrested-Whole Police Force on Duty - Rapid Balloting in Brooklyn and Bronx.

Figures received at the Board of Election late this afternoon indicate that the municipal election this year has aroused more interest than has been shown in a similar election since the three-cornered fight in which McClellan won over Hearst. It is anticipated that the figures will show 675,000 votes cast out of a registration of 696,809, but this estimate includes the soldier vote, which will not be counted in to-night's returns.

Except in strong Socialist neighborhoods, where young women, wearing Hillquit banners, insisted on penetrating the police lines and invading the polling places, there was no disorder. Numerous complaints of irregularities were reported to the District Attorneys of the various

ests were made for alleged illegal only for Hillquit for Mayor egistration it was shown that the ignored the rest of the ticket. hallenged voter was legally registered and that the challenge was due

gained by successful fighting com- hibited thousands of cases of voters pelled the enemy to evacuate the remaining in the hooths marking their ballots for less than a minute. This condition is taken to indicate that a majority of Socialists voted

AMERICA OF SAME VALUE

Mexican Troubles Will Keep Troops Home.

ous area included in the Tagliamento participation in the war-now that could vote and get breakfast. first captures of American treops ctually on the firing line.

eived to-day, estimates America's wagons to take the men to any part of strength "about the same value as the city where they may be needed. that of Houmania." The newspaper admits energetic training by the first time to-day, and would indicate United States of its fighting men and prints alleged statistics showing the men being prepared for service.

"The United States," the article entinues, "will, however, be unable transport more than 200,000 men the summer of 1918. Many troops

General public interest in the electhousands of visitors from New Jersey swarmed into town through the Hudson tubes and by way of the ferries ready to take part in the night

TION FRAUDS.

Fifteen thousand watchers against fraud at the polls are scattered throughout the five boroughs and In the neighborhood of 600 warrants have been issued in all five boroughs. charging illegal registration or other forms of election frauds.

All leaves were cancelled and the ntire police force is on duty to-day. AS ROUMANIA, SAYS BERLIN The Traffic Squad has been dispensed with, except for a few men at the more important centres, and the other serman Newspaper Still Thinks traffic men are assigned to other work for the day. Haif the detectives at each of the

five bureaus reported for duty at 5.30 AMSTERDAM, Nov. 6.- The Ger- A. M. The other half reported at \$ man press is deprecating America's A. M. and relieved the first, so they

At 4.30 A. M. 150 policemen reported at Police Headquarters for special have forced admission from German emergency duty. They are in charge authorities that the United States is of Acting Chief Inspector Dillon, There will be at Police Headquarters all day The Cologne Gazette's comment, re- automobiles, motorcycles and patrol

Extraordinary precautions were taken to prevent fraud at the polls to-day, all the contesting parties having legal representatives in the courts and at their respective headquarters for the purpose of dealing with any disputes that might arise.

District Attorney Swann, who must be kept on American coast de- reached his office earlier than usual. suses and along the Mexican bor- assigned two assistants and four process servers to each police court

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TO-NIGHT-GET THE NEWS FIRST, IN THE WORLD

Get the News First, from The World

RED FLASH Hillquit Wins

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OF PULITZER BUILDING

FOR ELECTION RESULTS TO-NIGHT

WHITE LIGHT Mit hel Wins

WHITE FLASH- Bennett Wins

RED LIGHT-Hylan Wins